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LETTER

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Dear Examiner Leary:

This letter is a follow up to our telephone conversation on June 22, 2004 regarding the preliminary amendment which was submitted with the application papers on February 14, 2002. I am sending a copy of the preliminary amendment and the return post card.

As you can see, the preliminary amendment was submitted to correct improper multiple dependencies. Dependent claims 24-31 were added to cover specific embodiments which had previously been covered by the multiple dependencies.

If you can have the preliminary amendment entered, please do so. Alternatively, we could present the preliminary amendment as a 312 amendment from our end. The Notice of Allowability mailed June 15th does not indicate an Examiner's amendment. The original claims contain improper multiple dependencies. Please let me know if any amendments to the claims have been made or if they are still the original claims and I can prepare an amendment.

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